

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 14 at line 3 with the following paragraph:

Returning to step 406, if no errors or warnings are found when the event logs are scanned (step 404), then a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) query of the Directory service objects is performed to determine whether there are any errors (step 426). It is then determined whether any errors are found as a result of this query (step 428) and, if yes, then the system continues with step 408 as described above. If, however, no errors are found in step 428, then a test series is begun (step 430) in which various components, such as, for example, Domain Name Server (DNS) DNS 432, NT Directory Server (NTDS) NTDS 434, Knowledge Consistency Checker (KCC) KCC 436, Flexible Single Master Operation (FSMO) FSMO Check 438, and Advertising 440 are checked to determine whether they are performing correctly. ~~{What do the abbreviations DNS, NTDS, KCC, an FSMO stand for?}~~ This list of components is merely provided as an example. The components checked will depend on the components a particular enterprise uses and will vary with implementation. Next, the system determines whether any of the tests failed (step 442), and if yes, continues with step 408 as described above. If the system determines that no test failed (step 442), then the system continues active monitoring of the directory service (step 402).